



Texas Conference of Clubs
Fall Meeting
October 29, 2005 — 1:00 PM

Chairman Danny Burden called the meeting to order at 1:03 PM at Buzzards' Peak land site. The Chairman asked all present to observe a moment of silence to remember our ill and departed friends and loved ones.

Secretary Bob Whittaker called the roll:

Austin Gay Nudists	Blake White
Chain of Command	Jim S
Colt 45's	Absent
Cowtown Leathermen	Ron Denning
Dallas MC	Danny Russell
Discipline Corps	Absent
Firedancers – Dallas	Proxy Danny Russell
Firedancers – Houston	John Szewczyk
Heart of Texas Bears	Ed Burleson
Houston Area Bears	Absent
Leather Knights	Glenn Simpson
Lone Star Leathermen	Gerry Garcia
Lone Star Nudist Group	Dan Lindquist
TCC Independents (A)	Proxy Dan Murdoch
TCC Independents (B)	Stan Morris
TCC Independents (C)	Hal Pryor
Touch of Leather	Gary Gilliam
Trinity River Bears	Brian Epperson

Recognition of Visitors

Lilly introduced the new delegate for Touch of Leather, Slap [Gary Gilliam]. Ray Moore introduced John Boglin.

Secretary's Report

Gerry Garcia made a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting as reported. Danny Russell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Correspondence

Please note I have included a link to the following documents that are located on www.texasconferenceofclubs.org.

1. [Request from Lillian Weck](#), Touch of Leather, dated September 12, 2005, for time on the agenda to speak on the issues being touched upon in the TCC e-lists.

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Dan Linquist asked if a non-delegate could make a motion. The Touch of Leather Delegate agreed with the motion. Stan Morris seconded the motion. Gerry Garcia requested the letters be read out loud. Ron Malone explained according to the articles you can remove a club or an independent, but not a member of a club. Seth said the items should be addressed under New Business.

Motion was withdrawn as out of order. The issue will be handled under New Business.

3. [Request from Paul Melville](#), member Lone Star Leathermen, dated September 17, 2005, regarding removal of two unused trailers.
4. [Request from Dan Murdoch](#), Independent, dated September 19, 2005, for time on the agenda regarding the matter of permanently withdrawing the membership of the member club Touch of Leather under the provisions of the TCC Articles of Agreement, Article III – Membership, Section 4.
5. Request from Danny Russell, Dallas Motorcycle Club, dated October 19, 2005, for time on the agenda to discuss land site use [there is no supporting document, only a request].
6. Request from Don Riggs, Dallas Motorcycle Club, dated October 21, 2005, for time on the agenda to talk about land site use [there is no supporting document, only a request].
7. [Request from Larry Perry](#), Trinity River Bears, dated October 23, 2005, for time on the agenda.

8. Request from Ed Burleson, Heart of Texas Bears, dated October 24, 2005, for time on the agenda to present a formal statement from the HOT Bears [there is no supporting document, only a request].
9. Request from Stan Morris, Independent, dated October 24, 2005, for time on the agenda [there is no supporting document, only a request].
10. [Request from John Szewczyk](#), Firedancers Houston, dated October 25, 2005, for time on the agenda to discuss land site use.
11. [Request from John Szewczyk](#), Firedancers Houston, dated October 25, 2005, for time on the agenda to discuss the Articles of Agreement.
12. [Request from John Szewczyk](#), Firedancers Houston, dated October 26, 2005, for time on the agenda to discuss land use charges.
13. [Request from John Szewczyk](#), Firedancers Houston, dated October 26, 2005, for time on the agenda to discuss conduct of a board member.

Membership Applications

Independent Membership application of Robert Fuller, Dallas.

Commercial membership application from Midtowne Spa, Austin, Texas.

Club application from Bound by Desire.

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Stan Morris made a motion to accept the Secretary's report. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

The [Treasurer's report is attached](#) as a part of the minutes. Ron Denning made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Gerry Garcia seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Committee—Coordinator Reports

Land Management

Stan Morris gave a short report. Land Management suggests we abandon the building of a new bunkhouse in favor of smaller individual "pods" or "chicken coops." Stan made a motion to dispense of the motion to build the large

bunkhouse. Hal Pryor seconded the motion. Motion passed. Opposed Ron Denning, Danny Russell, John Szewczyk. Glenn Simpson abstained.

LoneStar 18

Larry Perry stated LoneStar 18 is coming together. The theme is "A Gathering". The fees will be \$75 for TCC members and \$90 for outside participants. Chain of Command has volunteered to man the compound. John Szewczyk has volunteered to coordinate the meals. We should have more to report at the January meeting.

By-Law Rewrite Committee

Bob Whittaker reported the revised by-laws were close to a final draft, but were not ready to be presented at the October meeting.

Old Business

2006 Calendar

The draft of the 2006 Calendar was presented and some of the dates were adjusted. Dan Lundquist made a motion to accept the 2006 Calendar, Gerry Garica seconded the motion. The motion was approved, Jim S opposed.

New Business

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Larry Perry talked about voting in members at the same meeting and gave the Wolf Pack as an example. Danny Russell and Ron Malone also talked about voting members in at the same meeting.

1. Robert Fuller – Independent Membership application. Application approved.
2. Midtowne Spa – Commercial. Application approved.
3. Club Membership – Bound By Desire. Application approved.

There were several letters submitted regarding the same issue. The letters were grouped together where appropriate and handled as one issue. Because of the change in the way the issue was handled, some of the following could be a duplicate of information earlier in the minutes.

Touch of Leather —Letters 1, 2 and 4

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Lilly stated they have brought an issue forward to the Conference and would like to move on. The issue of removing an officer is being addressed in the rewrite of the by-laws and Touch of Leather is satisfied with that.

Dan Murdoch made the following motion:

I move that the delegates be given the opportunity to vote by secret written ballot on the matter of permanently withdrawing the membership of the a Touch of Leather club under the provisions of Section 4, Article III, of the TCC Articles of Agreement, that state, in part 'that any member club may be suspended or expelled for a specified period of time for reasons as may be determined to be in the best interest of the Conference. The motion was seconded by Danny Russell.

Statement by Dan Murdoch, which he read from a prepared document, which is [available online](#) to view.

Discussion comments were made by the following individuals: Gary [Slap] Gilliam, Touch of Leather; Hal Pryor, Independent Member; Glenn Simpson, Leather Knights; Danny Russell, Dallas Motorcycle Club; Larry Perry, Vice Chairman and member of the Trinity River Bears; Gary Garcia, Lone Star Leathermen; Ed Burluson, Heart of Texas Bears, who read a statement to the

group from his club [the [statement is available](#) online; Jack Elsbree, Lone Star Leathermen; Stan Morris, Independent Member; unidentified female from Leather Knights; John Szewczyk, Firedancers Houston; Lilly Weck, Touch of Leather; Tandeer, Touch of Leather; Danny Russell, Dallas Motorcycle Club; Dan Murdoch; Independent Member; Gerry Garcia, Lone Star Leathermen; Glenn Simpson, Leather Knights; Lilly Weck, Touch of Leather; Jack Jensen, Chain of Command; John Szewczyk, Firedancers Houston.

A secret ballot was taken and the motion to withdraw the membership of Touch of Leather failed. There were six votes against withdrawing TOL membership, there was one abstention, and the rest were in favor.

Land Use Letters 3, 5, 6, 10, 12

Paul Melville: postpone until the next quarterly meeting.

Danny Russell: talked about the fact the Conference had voted on a moratorium on bringing new trailers onto the property until the Land Management Committee put together a plan to be voted on by the Conference. That plan has not been presented. Danny also mentioned the cutting down of the large cedar tree by the flagpole to accommodate a trailer. There should be no more cutting of trees until LMC presents a plan to the Conference about how to handle the influx of trailers.

Danny Russell: I wish to propose that a Moratorium be enacted that will prevent any new trailer, permanent campsites and buildings (large or small) being set up as well as tree cutting until written procedures are developed by Land Management and both voted on and approved by the entire conference at a quarterly meeting. The only exception to tree cutting would be the hollow trees and/or large branches that do pose a safety hazard. The motion was seconded by Stan Morris. The motion was approved.

The request from Don Riggs for time to talk on the agenda was withdrawn.

John Szewczyk....motion that land management and the board start enforcing the land use fees voted on January 22, 2001. Land management and the board present procedures regarding enforcement to be voted on at the at the January 2006 meeting. Hal seconded. Motion was approved.

Nominations

Chairman —Seth Cortegine. Dale Arndt, Steve Klinger.

Secretary — Bob Whittaker, Hal Pryor

Land Management 3 year — Dale Arndt, Paul Melville, Peter Reid

Land Management 2 year — Dale Arndt, Jack Elsbree, Peter Reid, Brian Epperson, John Szewczyk, Paul Melville

Land Management 1 year — Cougar [given name unknown], Danny Russell, Jack Elsbree, Ed Burleson, Brian Epperson, Paul Melville.

Independent Delegate volunteers

Mark Adamson submitted his name as a volunteer.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:25 PM